

Patent Application Transmittal

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Sir:

With reference to the filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of an application for patent in the name(s) of: **Roland Lippoldt, Rüdiger Uhlendorf, Hans-Dieter Baudisch**

entitled: **A LOCKING DEVICE OF A CLOSURE WITH A HOUSING**

☒ New Application  
☐ Continuing Application

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-Part (CIP)  
of prior application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

[Note: If priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 involves a series of respectively copending applications, then in this amendment identify each and its relationship to its immediate predecessor.]

☐ The prior application is assigned of record to \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f) and the amounts shown in parentheses below have been employed in calculating the fee:

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The following are enclosed:

- ☒ Specification ( 9 pages) & Abstract  
☒ 1 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
☒ 19 Claim(s) (including 1 independent claim(s))  
☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and \_ references;

- ☒ This filing fee has been calculated on the basis of the claims as amended by any enclosed preliminary amendment as follows:

Basic Fee, \$710.00 (\$355.00).....	\$ 710.00
Number of Claims in excess of 20 at \$18.00 (\$9.00) each:.....	00.00
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Multiple Dependent Claim Fee at \$270.00 (\$135.00).....	00.00
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Total Filing Fee.....	\$ 750.00

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0955. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed

- (x) Any additional filing fees required under 37 CRF 1.16  
(x) Any patent application processing fees under 37 CRF 1.17.

- ☒ Oath or Declaration and Power of Attorney  
☒ New ☒ signed ☐ unsigned  
☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d))

Deletion of Inventors

☐ Signed Statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))

☐ Power of attorney and/or correspondence address was changed during prosecution of the prior application. The new power of attorney is to Reg. No. . The new correspondence address is indicated above.

- ☐ Incorporation by Reference (for continuation or divisional application)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.  
(Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

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- Cancel in this application original claims      of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- X New formal drawings are enclosed.
- X Certified copy of each foreign priority application on which the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 is based was filed in prior U.S. application serial no. , filed . A list of said foreign priority application(s) is (are) provided below. Acknowledgement thereof is requested.

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- (X) Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17
- (X) Any filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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